

# Alaskan Way Viaduct REPLACEMENT PROGRAM



## A new look for SR 99 near the stadiums

Since the southern mile of the Alaskan Way Viaduct was demolished in fall 2011, a temporary four-lane section of State Route 99 has kept traffic moving around the tunnel construction site near the stadiums. This construction bypass is the reason we can keep SR 99 open while crews build the SR 99 tunnel in the viaduct's footprint.

Crews are now building the connection between the future tunnel and the new SR 99 roadway through SODO, but the temporary SR 99 lanes are in the way. To solve this problem, Seattle Tunnel Partners, the SR 99 tunnel contractor, will shift traffic to new northbound and southbound lanes of the bypass roadway over two weekends in June 2014.

### Shifting traffic one direction at a time

Crews shifted traffic onto the new southbound lanes the morning of Monday, June 9. The lanes take southbound SR 99 traffic on a new path through the tunnel construction site.

The northbound traffic shift happens two weeks later. From 10 p.m. Friday, June 20 to 5 a.m. Monday, June 23, crews will close northbound SR 99 from South Spokane Street to the Battery Street Tunnel to shift traffic to the new northbound lanes.

Traffic will stay in the new configuration until the tunnel opens to traffic. As with any traffic shift, drivers should expect initial congestion and delays as travelers adjust to the new routings. Drivers can help keep traffic moving by keeping an eye on the road and other drivers.

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